



**SUMMARY OF NOTES FOR THE REGULAR
MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON
DISABILITIES
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374A
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012
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Wednesday, December 18, 2013

1:00 PM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (14-0059)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Call to Order. (13-5670)

President Janet A. Neal called the meeting to order at 1:18 p.m. and noted the lack of a quorum.

Commissioner Wan Chun Chang joined the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

Present: President Janet A. Neal, Vice President Winslow C. Reitnouer, Treasurer Wendy Welt Narro, Commissioner Edward A. Colley, Commissioner John R. James, Commissioner Alexia Teran and Commissioner Wan Chun Chang

Excused: 2nd Vice Chairperson John B. Troost, Commissioner Michael Gureckas, Commissioner Steve Miller, Commissioner Maria Mustelier-Parrish, Commissioner Kecia Brooke Weller and Commissioner Sheila D. Wright

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of the Minutes from the meeting of November 20, 2013. (13-5671)

In the absence of a quorum, this item was continued to the next meeting.

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II. REPORTS

2. President's Report for December 2013. (13-5672)

President Janet A. Neal presented a thank you card to Audra Galang for a

job well done. She reported the following:

- 1) Scheduling an Executive Committee meeting next month.**
 - 2) She was invited by the City of Los Angeles to participate in the AIDS Coordinator's Office Symposium which was put in place in 1989 by Mayor Tom Bradley to collect information on people with a dual diagnosis of AIDs, HIV, and another disability; and, decided to do a community assessment of where the resources are and can have some political power to make sure those with disability get what are supposed to have.**
 - 3) She was invited by Jeffrey Foundation on December 14, 2013 and mingled with the Kids to address what the Commission does.**
 - 4) She participated in a Statewide survey conducted by the California Commission for Disability Access. They were interviewing 20 people in the State on access issues like one in the bus, who should be served first, somebody in a wheelchair or someone else as well as on gasoline fueling issues.**
- 3. Report by Events Committee for December 2013. (13-5673)**
- Chair Janet A. Neal reported that the Events Committee members had a potluck. It was fun and thanked everybody for coming and participating. She also reported that since not having an open house for today and decided to make it a potluck too and thanked Commissioners and all others, who brought something to share for the holiday.**
- 4. Report by 2nd Vice President John B. Troost on the December 2, 2013 Access Services Incorporated Board of Directors' meeting. (13-5674)**
- In the absence of 2nd Vice President John B. Troost, this item was continued to the next meeting.**
- Attachments: [Doc Not Available](#)**
- 5. Monthly Staff Report by Emma De Jesus. (13-5701)**
- Emma De Jesus, Commission staff, reported the following:**
- 1) She received at the Commission on Disabilities inbox a flyer on San Gabriel Valley Disabilities collaborative held on December 12, 2013 at the Queen of the Valley Campus of Citrus Valley Health.**

- 2) **Tom Cavagnero, Internal Revenue Service Senior Tax Consultant, provided information regarding Stakeholder Partnership, education and communication as requested by the Commission in order to assist by interviewing key stakeholder to identify issues, challenges and opportunities regarding disability access.**

Following discussion, and by common consent, there being no objection, this item was received and filed.

6. **Monthly Report by Louis Burns, Customer Support Administrator, Access Services Incorporated. (13-5702)**

Louis Burns, Access Services Customer Support Administrator, Access Services, Inc., gave a positive reinforcement on what's needed with Access Services and the service provided as well as the improved appearance of TAP Card. He reported that the City and County Department of Public Works have some numerous complaints where some of customers were exiting in the street or tree limbs that could be affecting them. Access Services can at least identify a telephone number in our riders guide for those individuals to contact and have that matter taken care of. He also reported the Access Services' Spirit of Accessibility Award nomination form was shared.

Mr. Burns responded to questions posed by the Commission.

Following discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was filed.

7. **Monthly Report by Jess Segovia, ADA Manager, and Giovanna Gogreve, ADA Para-transit Program Administrator, for Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. (13-5703)**

Giovanna Gogreve, ADA Para-Transit Program Administrator for Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority gave her greetings for the holiday season.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

8. **Commissioners' Announcements for December 2013. (13-5704)**

Treasurer Wendy Welt Narro announced that she signed the petition to reject the SEIU-UHN ballot initiative requiring 73 hours of training for homecare workers.

Commissioner Alexia Teran reported that at the meeting in Cypress Community Center regarding the constituent's LATOA card of METRO went to investigative process and METRO is making a new card.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was filed.

Matters Not Posted

9. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting of the Committee, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (13-5675)

Public Comment

10. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-5676)

David Chiono addressed the Commission advocating for the youth.

Dr. Genevieve Clavreul addressed the Commission on METRO rough ride on the bus.

Kenn Small addressed the Commission regarding August 22, 2013 LA Times newspaper clipping on \$3-billion proposal to do sidewalk repairs at Los Angeles streets.

After discussion, by common consent, there being no objection, this item was filed.

Adjournment

11. Adjournment for the meeting of December 18, 2013. (13-5677)

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m. in memories of Joan Fontaine, Peter O'Toole, Tom Laughlin and Nelson Mandela.